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In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) (mailed February 9, 2006), Applicants submit herewith a fully executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, in order to complete the filing requirements for the U.S. national phase of the above-identified PCT application. The application filed in the Patent Office is the application which the inventors executed by signing the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney. A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements is enclosed.

The Office is authorized to charge the \$130.00 fee to cover the surcharge for late filing of the Declaration and any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Applicants hereby request a five-month extension of time for responding to the Notice of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 of February 9, 2006 for which a twomonth response period, expiring on April 9, 2006, was set. The five-month extended period for response expires on September 9, 2006. Please charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) five-month extension fee of \$2, 160.00 to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, deposit account number 11-0600.

The Office is also hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 11-0600 with any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment. An additional copy of this letter is enclosed for this purpose.

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